## Natchez College, Natchez, Miss. S. H. C. Owen, A.M., President

The last report available, 1905, showed 5 teachers and 275 students. This college aims to bring its students something more than mere intellectual learning. It proposes to be the foundation of spiritual as well as intellectual life. It undertakes to educate Christian teachers and leaders for the people — leaders trained in goodness, consecrated to God, and deeply imbued with divine truth. It recognizes man's spiritual need and that this life is probation for the life to come. God's thoughts control man's thoughts. Special attention is given to instruction in the Bible, for no other book can equal it in stimulating mental activity and developing character and power. The Word of God is the highest and best possible instrument of education.

The most important part of history is contained in the Bible. No man can be regarded as thoroughly informed or wholly educated who remains ignorant of the sacred Scriptures. Daily



ARRIVAL OF BOOKER T. WASHINGTON AT NATCHEZ COLLEGE, NATCHEZ, MISS., OCTOBER 7, 1908

Natchez College was founded in 1885 by the Baptists of Mississippi, and is under the control of that denomination. The property includes a three-story building, with basement, and is located in the suburbs of Natchez on the Mississippi River. There are three departments, Academic, Normal, and Common English, with a special teachers' course.

classes are established for the study of the Bible, and every student is required to attend one of these classes. The daily sessions are opened with reading of the Scriptures, singing, and prayer.

## Bertie Academy, Winsor, N. C.

W. S. Etheridge, Principal

Bertie Academy was founded in 1895 by Rev. Luke Pierce. It is supported by Baptists. Property, \$10,000. Expenses, \$2,000, secured by tuition and contributions. There were 89 male and 132 female students in 1908, the approximate age being fourteen years. There are 2 male and 3 female teachers.

The object of the academy is to prepare the students for Christian work and to train them in industries such as cooking, dressmaking, carpentry, printing, etc.

Prayer meetings are held weekly. Students are required to attend divine services on Sunday, and Sunday-school is held in the dormitory every Sunday afternoon. There is preaching in the building two Sunday evenings of each month.

## Northern Neck Industrial Academy, Ivondale, Va.

J. W. Tynes, D.D., principal. This academy was opened in October, 1900, under the auspices of the Northern Neck Baptist Association, and was later chartered by the General Assembly of Virginia, and is now controlled by a board of nine trustees, representing the Baptist denomination. The school, with its five buildings, is located on a plantation of one hundred acres.

The training in the school is announced by the principal as "religious, moral, literary, and industrial." The enrollment in 1908 was 2 teachers and 38 students, 22 of the latter being in the theological department. Annual expense, \$2,000, secured from the colored Baptists of Northern Neck Association. Work each day is begun with devotional exercises, at which all students are required to be present.